Texas Homeless Network

Housing Summit
May 21 – 22, 2014
Austin, TX

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Fort Worth Housing Authority

FWHA has set aside 200 vouchers to house the homeless on the Housing Choice Voucher Program

150 Continuum of Care (formerly Shelter + Care) preference vouchers

CoC participants who are able to live independently and require little or no supportive services

10 Tarrant County College VISIONS vouchers

Homeless college students who meet academic requirements

10 Workforce Solutions Project WISH vouchers

Homeless persons who have completed job training and education programs referred by Workforce Solutions (no longer referring)

20 MHMR preference vouchers

Project 19-Homeless MHMR clients (19)

Mothers in Transition-Homeless MHMR clients who are pregnant or have an infant (1)

Coming Soon – 10 vouchers for homeless families with children in the Fort Worth Independent School District

Homeless Housing Programs at FWHA

Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing-290 vouchers

Continuum of Care-431 certificates

Directions Home-105 vouchers

Single Room Occupancy-70 certificates

Landlord Engagement

Outreach at Landlord Orientation Landlord Advisory Committee Annual Landlord Workshop Agency Newsletters

Community Partners

City of Fort Worth

Tarrant County Homeless Coalition (CoC)

MHMR

Cornerstone Assistance Network

North Texas Veterans Affairs

Individual landlords with an interest in housing the homeless

Creativity and communication are key

Keep an eye to all aspects of need – Children, Re-entry housing, homeless who are not generally eligible for services outside of living situation, aged out foster youth